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For: CUBIC BORON NITRIDE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING CUBIC BORON NITRIDE,
GRINDING WHEEL WITH CUBIC BORON NITRIDE, AND SINTERED CUBIC
BORON NITRIDE COMPACT

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application (European Search Report for European patent application EP 04 772 178.2 dated November 23, 2006) citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

The indication in the European Search Report of the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-59-073411 and JP-A-59-057905 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-59-073411 and JP-A-59-057905.

U.S. 5,000,760 was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 14, 2006.

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